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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 6, 2006, Applicants submit the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.